



Brownfields 2007 Grant Fact Sheet

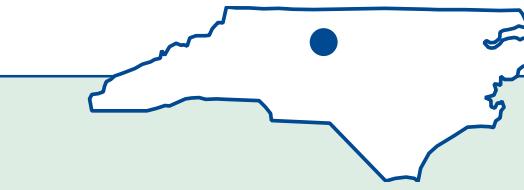
Greensboro, NC

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The City of Greensboro was selected to receive three brownfields cleanup grants. Located in north-central North Carolina, Greensboro (population 235,262) is focusing its brownfields efforts in the South Elm Street Brownfields Redevelopment Area. This area is adjacent to the city's central business district. In the neighborhoods around this 14-acre area, the poverty rate is 64 percent, and the unemployment rate is 15 percent. The redevelopment area contains a variety of former industrial properties, including gas stations, printing facilities, and a manufactured gas plant. The perceived contamination of the mostly abandoned industrial properties in the area has lowered property values and hindered investment. When the South Elm Street sites are cleaned up, they will be redeveloped for mixed uses, including stores, offices, and multi-



Cleanup Grants



\$600,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Greensboro for three brownfields cleanup grants. Grant funds will be used to develop and execute a cleanup plan for Blocks 1, 2, and 3 of the South Elm Street Brownfields Redevelopment Area. These sites were the locations of former gas stations, a printing company, and a manufactured gas plant. They are contaminated with hydrocarbons, metals, and perchloroethylene. Funds also will be used for groundwater monitoring and community involvement activities.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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Grant Recipient: City of Greensboro, NC
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family residences. The master plan for this redevelopment area calls for the creation of a minimum of 130 permanent jobs and 195 housing units, of which 63 will be at below-market prices.